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A news release for mainstream press will be issued on July 1
and/or you may release it to mainstream press at that time.

HELP US GET OUT A CROWD TO DEMONSTRATE WHAT FAMILY REALLY IS

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For too long, we have allowed one element to seize and hold prisoner the word
"FAMILY" and we have too long allowed this element to define what makes a
"FAMILY."

On Saturday July 16, 1994, Ground Zero will coordinate a rally in Colorado
Springs called "THE PRO FAMILY RALLY: Taking A Message to Focus. Metropolitan
Community Church is a co-sponsor of this event, and other organizations are
invited to join the list of sponsors. The rally will be held in front of the
Focus on the Family Building. Gay and non-gay organizations from across the
state are invited to attend and help deliver the messages "WE ARE ALL FAMILY"
and "LOVE MAKES A FAMILY." Participants are asked to come and bring their
families to proudly hold up for the world to see.

MEL WHITE, author of "Stranger at the Gate," has a very special message to
deliver to Dr. Dobson, who was among those for whom he wrote speeches and with
whom he counseled. He will lead this rally and deliver the keynote. He will
also deliver a personal note to Dr. Dobson.

Mr. White will be joined by Michael Bussee, founder of the EX-Gay Ministries
Genesis and Exodus and subject of the film "One Nation Under God." Now an ex-ex
gay, Mr. Bussee will share with us and our friends at Focus his poignant
experiences and his own message. Attempts are also under way to bring Jose
Zuniga, Soldier of the Year, in a day early. He is scheduled to be Grand
Marshal of the Pridefest Parade on the 17th.

As we begin to formulate the event, more local, state and, hopefully, other
nationally prominent persons will have their own statements. It is hoped that
they will be of all backgrounds and persuasions.

This event is meant to carry a message and is not meant to be "confrontational."
Those who wish to bring ways of stating their messages, signs, etc., are asked
to keep the theme and the non-confrontation concept in mind. This is not a
protest or picket. It is a way for us to demonstrate the errors of Focus on the
Family's concepts and to give them the opportunity to reconsider.

This is the same weekend as the COLORADO SPRINGS PRIDEFEST. IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE RALLY, THERE WILL BE A "FAMILY PICNIC at Monument Vally Park
sponsored by Pikes Peak Gay and Lesbian Community Center. Plan on participating
for the whole weekend. Ground Zero invites people in Colorado Springs who can
house out of towners to call 719-635-6086 and invites those from out of town who

need housing to do the same. WE will try to connect the two.



GROUND ZERO URGES YOUR FULL SUPPORT OF AND PARTICIPATION IN
ACTIVITIES SURROUNDING

COLORADO SPRINGS PRIDEFEST 1994

Friday, July 15 7PM FILMFEST DAY ONE special guest, Director Kermit Cole

Showing "Green on Thursday" and "Living Proof" \$10 Palmer High Auditorium

Saturday, July 16 NOON PRO-FAMILY RALLY: DELIVERING A MESSAGE TO FOCUS

Theme: *Love makes A Family* FOCUS ON THE FAMILY BUILDING GZ/MCC Among Sponsors

Led by Mel White, Michael Bussee and others.

2PM Family Picnic Monument Valley Park PGLCC Sponsor

7PM FILMFEST DAY TWO Special guests, Mel White and Michael Bussee

Showing "One Nation Under Guide," discussion and questions follow \$10 Palmer Hight Audit.

9PM RECEPTION FOR HONORED GUESTS OF PRIDEFEST, \$8

Music, Food and Beverage, opportunity to meet Mel White, Michael Bussee, others. Site TBA

Sunday, July 17 NOON PRIDEFEST PARADE AND RALLY gather at corner of Cache La Poudre and Nevada

MCC Reception 4PM Service 5PM Mel Rev. White guest and officiating

Monday, July 18 QUEER DAY IN CRIPPLE CREEK Bus trip to the gambling mecca of Colo.

Use this PR and the attached ad to notify your membership, parent or sister organizations and those you know who are friendly to this effort. This ACTIVITY will send a major message through our community and through the media. We need to make sure it is a positive and stong message. And while you're at it--do decide to attend the Pridefest Parade. If you can believe it, the Right has really turned the heat on in Colorado Springs and Ground Zero views that the situation is reaching a critical mass. We need everyone out at the parade, supporting us in this challenge.

THIS IS ALSO GOOD FOR DUPLICATING AND/OR ENLARGING FOR LEAFLETS AND POSTERS,
AS WELL AS PLACEMENT.